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By ECF

Honorable Laura Taylor Swain
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York

MEMO ENDORSED

Re: United States v. Michael Ackerman, 20 Cr. 93 (LTS)

Dear Judge Swain:

I write to respectfully request that the Court postpone Mr. Ackerman's guilty plea, currently scheduled for tomorrow morning, to a future date to be determined. The reason for this request is that, this afternoon, Mr. Ackerman was informed that he will receive a long-awaited liver transplant at the University of Wisconsin Health Transplant Center tomorrow morning around 6:00 a.m. The Court will recall that on September 21, 2020, the Court modified Mr. Ackerman's bail to permit him to travel to Wisconsin for the purpose of receiving an organ transplant without prior application to the Court. *See* ECF No. 31. Mr. Ackerman is now required to travel to the hospital from his home in Ohio (a multi-hour drive) immediately.

I apologize for the lateness of this request. Mr. Ackerman (and I) received the news that he would receive a transplant only within the last hour. For the Court's awareness, I spoke to a nurse responsible for organ allocation at the hospital and confirmed that Mr. Ackerman is in fact to receive his transplant tomorrow.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jonathan Marvinny

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Application granted. The change of plea hearing currently scheduled for July 29, 2021, at 8:30 a.m., is adjourned to a date and time to be determined. The parties are directed to promptly confer with each other and with chambers, by email, regarding a date and time for the adjourned hearing, and to file a letter requesting that the hearing be rescheduled to that date and time, with any related request for the exclusion of time under 18 U.S.C. section 3161, by July 29, 2021.

cc: Jessica Greenwood, Esq.
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SO ORDERED.
Dated: July 28, 2021
/s/ Laura Taylor Swain, Chief U.S.D.J.